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NEDERLAND MAN SENTENCED FOR POSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

(Beaumont, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that a 47-year-old Nederland man has been sentenced to 97 months in federal prison for child pornography violations in the Eastern District of Texas.

GARY KIM YOUNG was sentenced today by United States District Judge Thad Heartfield for possessing child pornography on a computer.

According to information presented in court, federal agents in Beaumont and Houston received information from authorities in Nevada, Pennsylvania and Florida that Young was receiving and sending pornographic images of minors through the internet using his home computer. On July 26, 2002, federal agents executed a search warrant at Young's residence and seized a computer which was found to contain approximately 756 images of child pornography.

Young pleaded guilty to possession of child pornography on August 21, 2006.

This case is part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation

and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov/.

This case was investigated by the United States Secret Service, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Nederland Police Department, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and the Beaumont Police Department. The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Randall L. Fluke.